SENATE RESOLUTION 7012

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to honor Dr. Ben Graham for his years of service as senior pastor of Music City Baptist Church.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should honor those individuals who have answered a divine call to the ministry and who have served with dedication, vigor, and enthusiasm to perform God's work for their congregations and their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Dr. Ben Graham, who has distinguished himself as a citizen of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity and as a pastor of supreme tact and learning; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Graham began his ministry in February 1998 at Music City Baptist Church in Mt. Juliet; and

WHEREAS, he is the president of and an actor in Graham Family Films, producing work that provides families with quality content suitable for all ages; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Graham attended high school at Victory Baptist Academy and holds a doctorate in clinical counseling from Heritage College; and

WHEREAS, he volunteered to serve in former President Donald Trump's Faith Team initiative and acted as a liaison between all faith directors from each department, as well as leading several pastors' groups to a special event at the White House; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Graham is supported in all these endeavors by his beloved wife, Candice Graham; children, Jordan (Brea), Zach, Carson, and Cooper Graham; and new granddaughter, Haisley Noelle Graham; and

WHEREAS, on October 29, 2023, Dr. Graham will step down from his position as pastor of Music City Baptist Church to pursue multiple ministry roles with faith-based films and preaching opportunities; and

WHEREAS, a loving father, shepherd, artist, and friend, Dr. Ben Graham epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and he should be specially recognized for his many accomplishments and devoted work; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor Dr. Ben Graham
upon his service as senior pastor of Music City Baptist Church and extend to him our best
wishes for continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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